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SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN ON US REPRESENTATIONS
REGARDING THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS

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1. IN A PRESS CONFERENCE ON AUGUST 20 REGARDING THE FORTHCOMING ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE, AMBASSADOR HARRIMAN DISCUSSED THE ISRAELI DECISION NOT TO ATTEND THE ANTI-APARTHEID CONFERENCE BECAUSE THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS (WJC) HAD NOT BEEN INCLUDED. HE LINKED THE US GOVERNMENT WITH ISRAEL AND SAID THAT "PRESSURE" HAD BEEN APPLIED WITH REGARD TO THE EXCLUSION OF THE WJC. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER HE RESENTED SUCH PRESSURE, HE SAID THAT THE AMERICAN CHARGE' D'AFFAIRES HAD MET WITH THE NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT AND WITH HIM REGARDING THE EXCLUSION OF THE WJC. HE ALSO STATED THAT THR WJC HAD NOT BEEN INVITED TO THE CONFERENCE BECAUSE INVITATIONS WERE ISSUED ONLY TO ORGANIZATIONS RECOGNIZED BY THE UN AS ACTIVE IN THE ANTI-APARTHEID CAUSE.

2. NEITHER THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION NEWS RELEASE OF
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AUGUST 20 NOR THE NIGERIAN MEDIA THROUGH AUGUST 22 HAVE INCLUDED ANY REFERENCE TO THE ALLEGED U.S. PRESSURE.

3. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE HARRIMAN'S COMMENT WOULD HAVE STIRRED UP QUITE A BIT OF UNFAVORABLE PUBLICITY IN THE OFFICIAL PRESS RELEASE AND IN PRESS COMMENTS HAD IT BEEN MADE PRIOR TO THIS YEAR'S IMPROVEMENT IN U.S. - NIGERIAN RELATIONS.

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